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In re Application of:

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 1, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 1, 2005, the Applicants herewith elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-13 and 16-19 drawn to claims for isolated nucleic acid sequences expression vectors, and recombinant host cells containing same, for further prosecution in the current application. The election is made with traverse, as the search required to pursue the remaining claim set extensively overlaps with the search required for Group I. The Applicants further elect SEQ ID NO:6 for prosecution in the case. This election is also made with traverse, as it imposes an undue burden on the Applicant, in requiring many different applications to be pursued for these closely related inventions.

If there are any questions about this matter, the patent office can contact the below-signed attorney at 312-913-0001.

**Respectfully submitted,
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